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UTILITY
PATENT APPLICATION
TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.

A32401-PCT/USA-A

First Inventor

Michael Hughes

Title

BALE HANDLING APPARATUS

Express Mail Label No.

EF321680134US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 14]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
- ☒ Claim(s) [Total Sheets 4]
☐ Abstract of the Disclosure [Total Sheets]
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 9]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 3]
- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
- i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

ADDRESS TO:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Box Patent Application
Washington, DC 20231

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
- i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. ☐ paper
- c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement [Power of Attorney]
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 [Copies of IDS Citations]
13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122
(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. ☒ Other: Verified Statement-Small Entity Status

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No.: 09/269,808

Prior application information: Examiner E. Tolan

Group Art Unit 3725

For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS



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Date

Nov. 8, 2001

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Addendum Sheet 1

* Question 4 Addendum

4.a. Drawings are ☒ formal ☐ informal

* Question 5 Addendum

5.c. ☐ An unsigned oath or declaration is included.

* Question 8 Addendum

8.d. ☐ A sequence submission will follow.

* Question 9 Addendum

9.a. ☐ Assignment documents will follow.

9.b. ☐ Assignment documents have been filed in parent application No.

* Question 11 Addendum

11.a. ☐ English translation will follow.

* Question 12 Addendum

12.a. ☒ Copies of IDS citations have been filed in parent application No. 09/269,808

* Question 15 Addendum

15.a. ☒ Certified copies of priority documents will follow.

15.b. ☐ Certified copies of priority documents have been filed in parent application No.

Use the space below for additional information

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Addendum Sheet 2

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 Prior application information: Examiner E. Tolan Group Art Unit: 3725

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 Prior application information: Examiner _____ Group Art Unit: _____

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 Prior application information: Examiner _____ Group Art Unit: _____

☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence(s)

U.S. Patent Appl. S/N 09/269,808,
 filed June 3, 1999.

☒ "This application is a ☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of:

☐ "This application is based upon:

prior application No.: _____, incorporated by reference herein,

☐ which is a ☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of:

☐ which is based upon:

prior application No. _____, incorporated by reference herein,

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prior application No. _____, incorporated by reference herein,

☐ which is a ☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of:

☒ which is a national stage of international application No.
 PCT/GB 97,02731, filed October 6, 1997, incorporated
 herein by reference.

Priority under 35.U.S.C. §119 is claimed based upon the following applications.

Foreign Applications:

Country: <u>Great Britain</u>	Serial No: <u>9620701.4</u>	Filing Date: <u>October 4, 1996</u>
Country: _____	Serial No: _____	Filing Date: _____
Country: _____	Serial No: _____	Filing Date: _____

Provisional Applications:

Serial No: _____	Filing Date: _____
Serial No: _____	Filing Date: _____
Serial No: _____	Filing Date: _____

BAKER BOTTS LLP**FEE TRANSMITTAL
for FY 2001**

Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 1,271**Complete if Known**

Application Number	
Filing Date	
First Named Inventor	Michael Hughes
Examiner Name	
Group Art Unit	
Attorney Docket No.	A32401-PCT/USA-A

METHOD OF PAYMENT

- 1.
- ☐
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to:

Deposit Account Number	02-4377
Deposit Account Name	Baker Botts LLP

☒ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

- 2.
- ☒
- Payment Enclosed:**

☒ Check ☐ Credit card ☐ Money Order ☐ Other**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
740	370	Utility filing fee	370
330	165	Design filing fee	
510	255	Plant filing fee	
740	370	Reissue filing fee	
160	80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 370**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
69	20	49	441
2	3	0	0
Multiple Dependent			

Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description
18	9	Claims in excess of 20
84	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
280	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
84	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
18	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) 441

*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

FEE CALCULATION (continued)**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
130	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
50	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
130	130	Non-English specification	
2,520	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
920*	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1,840*	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
110	55	Extension for reply within first month	
400	200	Extension for reply within second month	
920	460	Extension for reply within third month	460
1,440	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1,960	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
320	160	Notice of Appeal	
320	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
280	140	Request for oral hearing	
1,510	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
110	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1,280	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1,280	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
460	230	Design issue fee	
620	310	Plant issue fee	
130	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
50	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
180	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
40	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
740	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
740	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
740	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
900	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (3) (\$) 460**SUBMITTED BY**

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